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E.O.11652: GDS
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SUBJ: PROSPECTIVE FRENCH NUCLEAR REACTOR SALE TO PRC

RE: STATE 163371

1. FRENCH CEA ADVISES THAT THE FRAMATOME TEAM WILL DEPART JULY 1 FOR THE PRC. WE WILL NEED TO RECEIVE USG COMMENTS PRIOR TO SATURDAY AM, PREFERABLY BEFORE LATE AFTERNOON FRIDAY, JUNE 30 (PARIS TIME). THE MFA AND THE CEA UNDERSTAND THAT THE USG COMMENTS WILL RELATE SOLELY TO THE SAFEGUARDS ASPECTS OF THE PROSPECTIVE SALE AND NOT TO ANY PART OF THE MILITARY IMPLICATIONS OF THAT SALE. IT IS PREMATURE AT THIS POINT TO ASK THE FRENCH FOR ALL SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON THE CONTRACT RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AS THERE ARE YET SOME ASPECTS TO BE NEGOTIATED; E.G. FUEL FABRICATION.

2. THE PROSPECTIVE SALE CONCERNS A STANDARD 900 MWE FRAMATOME REACTOR WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY IDENTICAL TO THE WESTINGHOUSE BEAVER VALLEY PLANT NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION
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NORTH OF PITTSBURGH. THIS IS TO BE A TURN KEY CONTRACT.

3. WE WILL CONSULT WITH THE MFA AND CEA AFTER THE RETURN OF THE FRAMATOME TEAM AND ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT ON THE RESULTS.
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